

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TOMOYUKI FURUYA) : Examiner: M. Riley
Application No.: 10/773,423) : Group Art Unit: 2625
Filed: February 9, 2004) :
For: PRINTING CONTROL)
APPARATUS, METHOD AND :
PRINTER DRIVER) : January 21, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to
Applicants' undersigned representative during the telephonic interview conducted on
December 17, 2008.

During the interview, Applicants' representative discussed the October 27, 2008 Amendment, and how the § 103(a) rejection is seen to be overcome by the remarks contained therein. More particularly, Applicants' representative argued that the first rendering means of Claim 1 applies the generalized high-quality mode one scan line at a time, and the seconding rendering means applies the generalized CMYK high-speed mode where the last step – binary rendering, for example – is done one scan line at a time. Ohnishi, on the other hand, does not disclose or suggest the second rendering means of Claim 1.

In response, the Examiner indicated that he would study Ohnishi in further detail for the claimed second rendering means, before issuing a next Action.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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